

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Karmarkar, et al.

Serial No.: 09/824,536

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**SUBMISSION OF PAYMENT OF DEFICIENCY OWED IN VIEW OF
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Sir:

Recently, Patentee's representative realized that the most recent maintenance fee for the above-referenced patent has been erroneously paid as a small entity. Accordingly, the Patentee requests and/or petitions the Commissioner to excuse the incorrect payment and to accept the payment of the deficiency owed on the payment of maintenance fees. The Patentee regrets this error, which was made without any deceptive intent. A Notice of Withdrawal of Small Entity Status is being filed by Applicant concurrently with this submission.

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7.5 year Maintenance Fee	24 Nov 2008	\$980	\$490	\$620 (\$490 with \$130 surcharge)
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge **\$620.00** (the deficiency between the amount paid and the amount due with the surcharge) to our deposit account number 50-0220. This amount is believed correct, however the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our deposit account number 50-0220.

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